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Applicant : Igor SPLAWSKI  
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Examiner: Jehanne E. Souaya

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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

*INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS*

In response to the Office Action mailed 3 October 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

*Amendments to the Claims* are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Material added has been indicated by underlining (underlining) and material deleted has been indicated by strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~).

*Remarks* begin on page 8 of this paper.

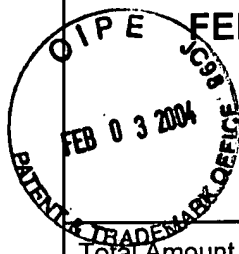
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# **FEE TRANSMITTAL** **for FY 2003** **(Small Entity)**

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		Filing Date	24 April 2001
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☒ Charge any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

☒ Applicant claims small entity status.

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. FILING FEE

Fee Code	Fee \$	Fee Description	Fee Paid
2001	385	Utility filing fee	[ ]
2002	170	Design Filing Fee	[ ]
2003	265	Plant Filing Fee	[ ]
2004	385	Reissue Filing Fee	[ ]
2005	80	Provisional Filing Fee	[ ]

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### 2. CLAIMS

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee	Fee Paid
[ ] - 20** = [ ] x		\$ 9 = [ ]	
Independent Claims [ ] - 3** = [ ] x		43 = [ ]	
Multiple Dependent Claims +		145 = [ ]	

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Fee Code	Fee Paid	Fee Description	Fee Paid
2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	[ ]
2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	[ ]
1053	130	Non-English specification	[ ]
1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	[ ]
1804	920	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	[ ]
1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	[ ]
2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	[ 55.00]
2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	[ ]
2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	[ ]
2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	[ ]
2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	[ ]
2401	165	Notice of Appeal	[ ]
2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	[ ]
2403	145	Request for Oral Hearing	[ ]
1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	[ ]
2452	55	Petition to revive -unavoidable	[ ]
2453	475	Petition to revive - unintentional	[ ]
2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	[ ]
2502	240	Design issue fee	[ ]
2503	320	Plant issue fee	[ ]
1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	[ ]
1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	[ ]
1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	[ ]
8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	[ ]
2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR .129(a))	[ ]
2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	[ ]
2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	[ ]
1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	[ ]
1504	300	Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal publication	[ ]
1505	300	Publication fee for republication	[ ]
1455	200	Filing an application for patent term adjustment	[ ]
1456	400	Request for reinstatement of term reduced	[ ]
		Other fee (specify)	[ ]

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